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APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR HIGHLIGHTING SELECTED PORTIONS OF A DISPLAY SCREEN

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of one month to respond to the Office Action dated January 2, 2004, for which the shortened statutory period expired on the date of the Advisory Action mailed on April 19, 2004; because of this extension the time period for response will expire on May 19, 2004. Filed herewith is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

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